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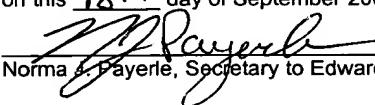
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of
KIRT E. WHITESIDE
Serial No. 09/780,603
Filed February 12, 2001
For MECHANIC'S CREEPER

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2002, Applicant, through his attorney, replies as follows:

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In the Claims:

Substitute the following claims:

1. 1. A creeper comprising opposed side rails having a planar bottom surface;
2. a pad supported between said side rails; and a plurality of caster
3. assemblies rotatable on a vertical axis relative to said side rails and
4. supporting said side rails; each of said plurality of caster assemblies
5. attached to said planar bottom surface and fully positioned under and
6. within the profile of said side rails, and including a wheel having a wheel
7. body with a radial surface wherein the width of the contact between said
8. radial surface and a work surface upon which the creeper is placed is
9. from about 50 to about 75 percent of the maximum width of said wheel
10. body.

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